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RESPONSE B (AFTER FINAL REJECTION)

Sir:

Please enter an amendment to place the application in condition for allowance or better form for appeal canceling claims 1-6 and adding new claim 7 shown in Appendix A hereto and entering the Rule 132 Declaration of Appendix B hereto.

REMARKS

The application is amended following the useful interview of June 4, 2002. Entry of the foregoing Amendment and allowance of the application is requested in view of information given in the Rule 132 Declaration reiterating and giving an evidentiary support to points previously made and showing the commercial acceptance of the invention (a product corresponding to the claim) with no source of such success other than merit of the invention. Given the evidence of unobviousness it is submitted that claim 7 should be allowed. In the alternative, please enter the 89493871 86/14/2882 SHILL1 claim amendment and declaration, reducing and focusing issues, for appeal.

If any questions remain, please call Applicants' attorney, collect at the number missen